

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for January 27:

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**EARLY SEASON CAMPGROUND RESERVATIONS OPEN**

**Salt Lake City**— It may be winter, but it's almost Memorial Day Weekend to many anxious campers and Utah State Parks reservation agents.

Campers may begin reserving for Memorial Day Weekend Thursday, January 29 beginning at 7 a.m. Individual campsite reservations are accepted up to 16 weeks in advance from park departure date. If campsites are available, reservations can be made a minimum of two days in advance of arrival date. Group reservations may be made up to 11 months in advance.

"Despite the snow on the ground, we suggest campers plan early for the upcoming season," commented Emily DeBois, reservation manager.  
"Reservations are always recommended for summer weekends."

Utah's 30 state parks offer more than 1,500 campsites statewide. For reservations, call (801) 322-3770 within Salt Lake, toll-free at (800) 322-3770 or go online at [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov). Customers may reserve up to three campsites per call or Internet session. An \$8 reservation fee is charged per site. Group reservations fees are \$10.25 along with a per-person fee.

Reservations for Easter Weekend are available, but are filling quickly. These state parks have campsites available: Antelope Island, Dead Horse Point, East Canyon, Green River, Millsite, Kodachrome, Otter Creek, Palisade, Quail Creek, Sand Hollow, Snow Canyon, Utah Lake, Willard Bay, and Yuba.

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**UTAH STATE PARKS SNOWMOBILE GROOMING REPORT**

Please find below, current grooming conditions as of January 26. Utah State Parks encourages all riders to carry appropriate avalanche gear and get an avalanche advisory at 1-800-OHV-RIDE or [utahavalanchecenter.org](http://utahavalanchecenter.org) ( <http://www.avalanche.org/> ).

**BEAR RIVER SERVICE/ WHITNEY** – North Slope parking lot to Mirror Lake

**BEARLAKE/ LOGAN CANYON**– Sinks, Amazon, Beaver Creek, Franklin Basin, Tony Grove, Garden City, Temple, Swan Flat

**HARDWARE RANCH** – Grooming postponed due to slushy trail conditions

**MONTE CRISTO** - Ant Flat, Highway 39, Curtis Creek Loop, Millie Springs, Arbs Basin, Wasatch Ridge

**WASATCH** – Alpine Loop, Cummings Parkway, Snake Creek Canyon, Narrows, Soldier Hollow

**MIRROR LAKE/MILL HOLLOW** – North Fork Trail, Soapstone Basin Road, Highway 35 from Nobletts to Hanna Trailhead, Wolf Creek Summit, Mill Hollow to Lake Creek Summit, Mirror Lake Highway, Soapstone to Nobblets, Highway 150 to warming hut, Highway 35

**STRAWBERRY** - Clyde Creek, Mud Creek, Strawberry Marina, Co-op Creek, Lake Creek Trail, Strawberry River, Lew's Cutoff, Indian Creek, Sheep Creek, Trail Hollow **NOTE: Sheep Creek is private property: day-use fee required**

**SCOFIELD COMPLEX** – Fairview Trailhead, Fish Creek Ridge, Miller's Flat, White River, Joe's Valley

**EPHRAIM** – Snowcat under repair

**MT.NEBO**– Snowcat under repair

**FISHLAKE** – Junction to Kents and Puffer lakes, Monroe Mountain to Koosharem, Cove Road, Big Lake, Monrovia Park

**CEDARMOUNTAIN**- Cedar Breaks, Brian Head, Lava Beds, Strawberry Point

**UINTAHBASIN**– No new report

Utah State Parks is the state off-highway vehicle authority, providing access, education, and search and rescue on Utah's trails.

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## UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

February 1 – March 20      Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

**Guided Snowshoe Hikes:** The park naturalist is available Wednesday through Saturday for guided snowshoe hikes within the park. Beginners are welcome and will receive basic snowshoeing instructions, as well as a little taste of winter ecology. Please call to arrange date and time. (435) 654-1791

**February 1 – March 31**      Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse

**Art Gallery:** Enjoy the artwork and photographs created by Antelope Island State Park employees and volunteers. (801) 725-9263

February – July      Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding

**Art Exhibit: View** the innovative native art of **students and instructor Toni Trusdale from the Santa Fe Indian School. (435) 678-2238**

February 6      Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway

**Full Moon Snowshoe Hike:** Join Friends of Wasatch Mountain at 7 p.m. for the annual snowshoe hike under the light of the full moon. Hikes for beginners, intermediate and advanced snowshoers are available. Members of Friends are free and \$5 for non-members. Snowshoe rentals are available for \$5 a pair. Registration is required. (435) 654-5150

February 7      Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum - Blanding

**My Canyonlands - The Adventurous Life of Kent Frost:** Join park staff for a special screening of the documentary My Canyonlands by filmmaker Chris Simon. The film documents the life of regional icon Kent Frost, a man who was responsible for the protection and designation of Utah's remote Canyonlands area as a national park in the 1960s. Simon will discuss the film and Frost will be available to sign copies of his book My Canyonlands. The event is free and open to the public. This event is funded through a grant from the Utah Humanities Council. (435) 678-2238

February 7      Jordanelle State Park - Heber

**Track Me If You Can Series– Bears:** Join the park naturalist from 10 a.m. to noon to learn how to live in harmony with bears. Bring snowshoes or borrow a pair from the park. Registration is required. Day-use fee is \$7 per vehicle with up to eight people or free to Utah State Parks passholders. (435) 782-3030 or (435) 649-9540

February 7      Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins

**Cinder Cone Hike:** Learn about volcanoes and the volcanic activity responsible for the lava flows in the park. Hike to the top of the Snow Canyon cinder cone during this 1.5-mile roundtrip hike beginning at 10 a.m. Space is limited and registration required. (435) 628-2255

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